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Dear Lisa

Letter of support for the Pearson Level 3 Uniformed Protective Services qualifications

As an employer in the sector, we recognise the following qualifications as being fit for purpose:

603/3061/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Uniformed Protective Service
603/3062/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Uniformed Protective Service
603/3063/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Uniformed Protective Service
603/3092/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Uniformed Protective Service

The qualifications will support learners to progress to Apprenticeships, Initial Training or employment in a range of job roles across the Uniformed Protective Services industry by allowing learners to develop a broad range of skills to meet the needs of an individual employer or sector. Below details some of the potential opportunities for the different sizes within the Prison Service.

603/3061/2 Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Uniformed Protective Services

This qualification will support learners who wish to progress into either an Apprenticeship or initial training leading to employment in the following occupations:

Learners could also progress to Higher Education to a degree in Criminology if they complete other qualifications such as A/AS Level Psychology or Sociology for graduate entry to the Prison Service

603/3062/4 Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services

This qualification will support learners who wish to progress into either an Apprenticeship or initial training leading to employment in the following occupations:

Learners could also progress to Higher Education to a degree in Criminology if they complete other qualifications such as A/AS Level Psychology or Sociology for graduate entry to the Prison Service

603/3063/6 Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services

This qualification will support learners who wish to progress into either an Apprenticeship or initial training leading to employment in the following occupations:

Entry Level Training as a Prison Officer

603/3092/2 Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services

This qualification will support learners who wish to progress into either an Apprenticeship or initial training leading to employment in the following occupations:

Probation Officer (Via Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship Standard)

Entry Level Training as a Prison Officer

Learners could also progress to Higher Education to a degree in Criminology if they complete other qualifications such as A/AS Level Psychology or Sociology for graduate entry to the Prison Service

For such roles, we believe that these qualifications provide an appropriate level of knowledge and skills, meeting the needs of the sector and the individual, ensuring employees are appropriately skilled for the job and able to deliver to the standard that the sector expects. The qualification will also support the individual, should they chose to progress in to further or higher training.

We are happy for Pearson to use this letter in support of its work with the Department of Education and the ESFA, to ensure that this invaluable qualification can continue to be recognised for college performance tables and 19+ funding.

Yours sincerely

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